

# Iron County Register

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IRONTON, MISSOURI.

The treasury gold reserve, at the close of business on the 21st, stood at \$59,603,865. The day's withdrawals were \$164,100.

Failures for the week ended on the 24th were 231 for the United States, against 202 for the corresponding week of last year, and 29 in Canada, against 27 last year.

The body of Col. Daniel E. Hungerford, father of Mrs. John W. Mackay, who died at his home in the city of Rome, on the 20th, has been embalmed, and will be brought to America for interment.

R. T. Frye, president of the Illinois State Horticultural society, who was asphyxiated by gas at the Great Northern hotel in Chicago a few days before, died in the Cook county hospital on the 21st.

The treasury gold reserve, through the action of the New York national banks in depositing \$15,250,000 in gold, stood at the close of business on the 23d at \$101,851,770. The day's withdrawals were \$239,400, taken for hoarding purposes.

Philadelphia banks will aid in restoring and maintaining the national treasury gold reserve. A movement was started among them on the 22d, to raise \$1,000,000 for this purpose, and before the close of business over \$500,000 was pledged.

It seems probable that Henry C. Payne, republican national committee man from Wisconsin, who was expected to do a large share of the work in the present campaign in the western states, will have to retire from active service on account of ill-health.

The trial of Dr. Jamieson and his fellow officers in the Transvaal raid, in the queen's bench division of the high court of justice, was resumed, the 21st. After a motion to quash had been overruled, the jury was sworn and the defendants pleaded not guilty.

A GAVEL constructed in the state of Ohio out of 48 different kinds of timber, representing every state, was presented to the chairman of the populist convention in St. Louis, on the 24th, by Delegate DeNoe, of Ohio, as a "middle-of-the-road" gavel, and was accepted.

The Butte (Mont.) Inter-Mountain, an evening republican paper, owned by Senator Lee Mantle, came out in an editorial, on the 23d, supporting Bryan and Sewall, and declaring that it can not support the national republican ticket because of its opposition to silver.

Advices received in Vienna, on the 23d, from Salonica, stated that the Turkish troops had had a battle with the Macedonian insurgents at Demir Hissar, in which the insurgents lost 500 men. The Turks pursued the insurgents, who took refuge in the mountains at Ferrin.

Princess Maud of Wales, youngest daughter of the prince of Wales, and granddaughter of Queen Victoria, was married, on the 23d, in the Chapel Royal, Buckingham palace, to Prince Charles of Denmark, son of the crown prince, and grandson of King Christian IX. of Denmark.

The National Populist convention, in session at St. Louis, refused to accept Arthur Sewall as their nominee for vice-president, on the 24th, and nominated instead Thomas E. Watson, of Georgia, for the office. They then adjourned for the day without making a nomination for president.

Samuel Melville and W. H. Kévan, single-tax speakers, were arrested at Dover, Del., on the night of the 21st, for speaking on the streets without a permit. They were fined \$10 and costs, in default of which they were sent to jail for 30 days. This makes five speakers now under arrest in Dover.

Founders' day, the banner day of the Cleveland (O.) centennial celebration was observed on the 23d, and was marked by a gift to the city by John D. Rockefeller of a large and valuable tract of land for the extension of the city's park and boulevard system. The property given is worth between \$600,000 and \$700,000.

The Cincinnati Price Current, on the 23d, summarized the crop conditions for the previous week as follows: Indications for winter wheat are but little changed. The spring crop is somewhat lower. Oats are considerably reduced. Corn and hay improved. Winter wheat and oats are largely unsatisfactory in quality.

Extraordinary efforts are being made by United States Health Commission Stump by which immigrants from countries where infectious diseases exist, though they may be free from disease when they are landed, may be traced and watched by health officers, so that if the disease appears it may be promptly stamped out.

A New York Herald special from Washington, on the 24th, said: "Capt. Gen. Weyler intends to show no leniency to American merchants engaged in the Cuban banana trade unless he is overruled by orders from Madrid, and in case he is directed to grant the delay requested there is danger of strained relations between him and his government."

A dispatch from Washington, on the 24th, said: "A cablegram has been sent to Mr. McKinley, minister of the United States at Bogota, a copy of which he was instructed to lay before the Colombian government, demanding that that government reply immediately to the two notes recently addressed to it in regard to making amends for the outrage committed on the American schooner Whitford in March last."

The populist national convention met in St. Louis on the 23d, and during the day session effected temporary organization and took a recess until eight o'clock, pending the report of the committee on credentials. When they met at night, through some mismanagement, the hall—the same in which the National Republican convention was held—was in darkness, and the convention was compelled to adjourn without transacting any business. The national alive convention also met in St. Louis on the 23d.

# NEWS AND NOTES.

A Summary of Important Events.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

On the 21st Gorman Swain, a farmer, living one mile south of Attica, Mich., killed three of his children with a butcher knife, set fire to his house and then committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart.

At the close of business on the 24th, the treasury gold reserve had been reduced to \$59,761,336.

JOSEPH W. JOHNSON, of Bridgeport, Conn., was found dead in his room at the Midland hotel in Kansas City, Mo., on the night of the 20th. His clothes were of expensive black worsted, and in his pockets were found \$236.56 in money, mostly in large bills. Heart failure was the cause of death.

NAYLOR's opera house and three adjoining buildings in Terre Haute, Ind., were destroyed by fire, on the 21st, causing a loss of \$150,000 to \$175,000, with perhaps \$120,000 insurance.

DURING the passage of the barkentine Herbert Fuller from Boston to Halifax, where she arrived on the 21st, the captain and his wife and the second mate were brutally murdered in their berths. The vessel's crew were promptly placed under arrest, and the investigation of the mysterious and bloody affair.

The main storage house of the Diamond Match Co., 54 and 56 Michigan avenue, Chicago, was destroyed by fire, on the 21st, causing a loss of \$70,000. The fire broke out at 3 a. m., and was caused by an explosion on the second floor, the exact nature of which was not known.

Mrs. J. H. TOLFREE committed suicide at Mojave, Cal., on the night of the 20th, by drinking carbolic acid. She was private secretary to President Cleveland, when he was mayor of Buffalo. It is believed she was insane when the deed was committed.

D. G. BARKER, of Albert Lea, Minn., was knocked down by an electric car in St. Louis, on the 21st, and badly injured. He was attempting to board a car from the wrong side of the tracks when the accident happened. Barker is 64 years of age, and was in attendance at the populist convention.

Two new counterfeiters of United States silver certificates have been discovered by the treasury department. The first is a one dollar, series of 1891, check letter C, signed by J. Fount Tillman, register, and D. N. Morgan, treasurer, and having a portrait of Stanton. The second is a five dollar, series of 1891, check letter B, signed by J. Fount Tillman, register, and D. N. Morgan, treasurer, and having a portrait of Grant.

A CLOUDBURST caused the loss of ten lives on Benson's creek in Franklin county, Ky., on the 21st. While the cloudburst was worst in Franklin county, the heavy rainfall extended over Shelby, Jefferson, Woodford and Fayette counties, and was general over the entire region.

Miss ANNE KILLBURN and Miss Hall, of Chicago, the latter a sister of Mrs. Albion W. Tourgee, were thrown from a carriage at Jamestown, N. Y., on the night of the 21st, and sustained injuries which, in Miss Killburn's case, resulted in death.

EDWARD M. W. RANSON, minister to Mexico, left Salisbury, N. C., on the 23d, for Mexico City, to resume his official duties. The general's health is much improved.

A modest monument to the memory of John Brown was unveiled at North Elba, N. Y., on the 24th, under the auspices of the State Forestry association. An address was made by Gen. E. A. Merritt, and State Excise Commissioner Lyman delivered the oration.

The New York Sun publishes an expression from Prince Bismarck on the pending European crisis, in which the ex-chancellor reports as saying that England must eventually fight Russia and France to retain her grip on India and the Sudan.

REV. DR. HALEY W. KNAPP, a well-known Baptist divine, died at his home in Brooklyn, on the 23d, aged 77 years.

The town of Hot Springs, King county, Wash., where the village is located, and threatened to consume everything.

The republican state convention at Parkersburg, W. Va., on the 23d, nominated Hon. G. W. Atkinson by acclamation for governor.

PHILEAS STEWART, a farmer, residing three miles south of Middletown, O., near Shakertown, has discovered a rich deposit of the finest quality of mica in a hill in the center of his land. It is worth \$12 a pound.

JOSEPH P. MYERS, who was cashier of the Seaboard Air Line at Charlotte, N. C., and defrauded with \$30,000 of the company's money, was arrested in New York city on the 23d. He confessed his guilt, and \$1,200 was found on him. With him was Mrs. Ella Bissonette, for whom he deserted his wife and eloped on July 11.

THE GEORGE W. JONES, the oldest surviving ex-United States senator, died at Dubuque, Ia., on the night of the 23d, aged 92 years. He was born in Vincennes, Ind., April 12, 1804.

The National Federation of Afro-American women and the National League of Colored Women will hereafter be known as the National Association of Colored Women, the two bodies having agreed to unite.

The Artemisa correspondent of "El Pais," Havana, says that Antonio Maceo is encamped at Rubi, in Pinar del Rio, and is planning an early attack on the trocha.

COMPTROLLER OF THE TREASURY Bowler announces that he will bolt the Chicago ticket. He is not ready, however, to declare that he will vote for McKinley.

SOLOMON J. HENNINGER, who had the rare distinction of having fought on both sides during the late war, died in South Whitehall township, Pa.

JOHN COXLEY, a railroad engineer, died at Huntington, Ind., from the effects of gonorrhea he had taken by mistake for gonorrhea.

The British steamer Glenloig, which arrived at New York, on the 23d, from Hamburg, reported that on the 21st, the little steamer Elliot, of Charlotte-town, P. E. I., was spoken. Capt. McDonald of the Elliot said he was on a voyage from Philadelphia for Halifax, N. S. There was fire in the hold of the Elliot, but the captain thought he had it under control and desired no assistance.

The British bark Dundonald, Capt. Myran, from San Francisco, March 10, for Hull, previously reported as having been in collision with the British steamer Santarosa, from Penarth, via Madeira, for Monaca, sinking the latter and proceeding in a damaged condition, arrived at Queens-town on the 23d. The captain and crew of the sunken steamer Santarosa were on board the Dundonald.

Five destroyed the entire east wing of the Marion county (Ind.) poor house on the 23d. The burned wing was of brick, three stories high. All of the inmates were removed from danger.

A. V. LINTON, the professional bicyclist, whose record for 25 miles was 53 minutes, 5 seconds, died at Aberdare, Wales, on the 23d, from typhoid fever.

For the week ended on the 23d, 225,000 hogs were packed in the United States, against 150,000 for the corresponding week last year.

CORPORAL HENRY EDSON, of Company F, Fourteenth infantry; Private Charles Morris, Mist Laura Guard and Miss Emma Young, all of Vancouver, Wash., were drowned, on the 23d, while out on a boating excursion on the Washington river, near Fleming's mill. The river at that point is swift, and the boat was carried into an eddy and upset.

On the 24th the national silver convention at St. Louis adopted a single silver plank platform, and nominated William J. Bryan, of Nebraska, and Arthur Sewall, of Maine, respectively, for president and vice-president, by acclamation, and adjourned.

AVONMORE, a passenger vessel, the schooner Gov. I. J. Smith, of Boston, Capt. Patrick, from Gibara, Cuba, to Wilmington, N. C., reported, on the 24th, having been fired upon by a Spanish gunboat off the coast of Cuba.

The drought which has prevailed in England for the past few weeks has compelled a reduction in the water supply in the west of London to six hours per day.

The Miami river was swollen beyond its banks by the rains of the 23d, inundating the houses in the lower part of the city of Springfield, O. Many families were removed in boats by the city authorities. Much damage was done.

GOV. MATTHEWS of Indiana, on the 24th, assumed an attitude of defiance toward the federal courts, by advising the authorities of Hammond to go ahead with the collection of taxes in certain annexed territory, regardless of the decision of the federal court of appeals reversing a decision of the lower court, in which a bill for an injunction was denied.

A CLOUDBURST in Bear Creek canyon, just above Morrison, Col., on the evening of the 24th, let loose a solid wall of water ten feet high, which not only did great damage to property, but caused the loss of 15 to 20 lives. The known dead are Mrs. Miller and three children and a party of campers, 15 or 16 in number.

FIELD COLUMBIAN museum, of Chicago, is to receive \$2,000,000 as an endowment fund from the founder, Marshall Field. He allowed Harlow N. Higginbotham to formally tender it, upon conditions which are to govern the museum's future location.

On the night of the 24th the worst storm in its history broke upon Golden, Col. Three lives are known to be lost and thousands of dollars' worth of property is destroyed. The dead are A. A. Johnson and wife and Mrs. J. A. Edwards.

A DISPATCH from Constantinople says that the latest accounts received are to the effect that 40 prosperous villages around Van have been destroyed, and every male over eight years of age killed. The total killed are placed at 15,000.

A. C. GIFFORD, cashier of the American Bank of Commerce, New York city, committed suicide, on the 24th, in the woods near South Amboy, N. J. It is supposed he was temporarily insane. His books are said to be in perfect shape.

The democratic managers in Indiana have determined, in the face of the decision of the supreme court, to nominate senators in the 25 hold-over districts.

## LATE NEWS ITEMS.

At the national session in the Asbury Park (N. J.) auditorium, on the 26th, Bishop John P. Newman created a sensation by declaring that popular government is the land should not, and were not good citizens. Instantly a man in the rear of the hall jumped up and shouted: "Bryan is a good American." He tried to propose three cheers for the democratic-populist candidate for president, but his voice was drowned by the music of the choir.

ASKED if he would accept the vice-presidential nomination tendered him by the populist national convention in St. Louis, Mr. Thomas E. Watson, of Georgia, said: "I will accept the nomination. I wired my friends in St. Louis to that effect. I did it in the interest of harmony and to prevent the disruption of the populist party, which seemed imminent. Under the circumstances I did what I believed to be best for all interests."

MAJ. FONDARELLA officially reported, on the 25th, that his command had had a five hours' engagement with the rebels under Mirabel and Alvarez, near Tapaste. The troops took a rebel hospital and captured two wounded insurgents. The rebels were compelled to retreat, and left 19 dead on the field and carried off many wounded. The Spaniards claimed to have lost only seven wounded.

COURTESY BISCAIANI, who died recently, at the Rossini Foundation Home, for Musicians and Artists, in Paris, was at one time a celebrated American singer. She was born in Boston, in 1834, and got her title by marrying an Italian count. She died in poverty. Shortly before passing away, she expressed the desire that her death should be made known to the American press.

The burning of the Forsythe track at Whiting, Ind., were totally destroyed by fire on the night of the 25th. The horses Amanda, Elizabeth B., Margaret B., Lady Wentworth and Adam Amack, the property of M. J. Rogers, of Chicago, valued at \$3,500, were burned to death. The total loss is about \$25,000. The origin of the fire is thought to have been incendiary.

The death of a coaster at Walworth, a suburb of London, on the 26th, occasioned a dispute among the medical fraternity of that place. The doctor who attended the man stated that his death was caused by cholera, but this was disputed by other physicians.

The treasury gold reserve at the close of business on the 25th was stated at \$103,951,391.

## MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

A Bad Railway Week.

A Missouri Pacific freight train went through a bridge at Big Muddy, two miles west of Lamar. The accident was caused by a broken axle. The engine and three cars passed over, and 16 cars went down, with the 152-foot span of the bridge. Lee Thomas, aged 18, of Nevada, who was stealing a ride on the trucks, was buried under the debris. Art McClellan, who occupied a perch with young Thomas, jumped in time to save his life. The two young men were endeavoring to make their way to Springfield. They had climbed on the trucks before the train pulled out of the Nevada yards, where it was made up. The train has a regular run from Nevada to Joplin.

Almost Burned to Death.

Mrs. Theresa Hardenbilt, 30 years old, 3110 South Jefferson avenue, St. Louis, was seriously burned about the arms and legs a few days ago. Mrs. Hardenbilt was washing at her home, and put some turpentine and gasoline in the water she was using. She attempted to rinse some clothes, when loud explosion took place. The oil was thrown all over her and her clothes caught fire. She ran shrieking out of the house all ablaze. Some one was depositing, quickly extinguished the fire, and she was in a ambulance. Her condition is very serious.

Failed to Have the Money.

George Crutchley, postmaster at Norborne, was placed under arrest at Kansas City, charged with passing bogus checks on a number of saloons. He spent several hours in the city jail, but influential friends bailed him out. The checks amounted to about \$150. Crutchley says he expected to have the money in bank before the checks arrived, but he didn't. He says he will settle up.

In Favor of the Gamblers.

Under a decision by Judge Wofford, of the criminal court at Kansas City, gambling on horse races outside of the state may be resumed in Kansas City and other cities in Missouri. By virtue of this decision, middle-aged Crutchley says he expected to have the money in bank before the checks arrived, but he didn't. He says he will settle up.

Getting Gay in His Old Age.

Frank Wyant, of Kearney, Clay county, was in St. Joseph a few days ago searching for his father, Alexander Wyant, who is 62, and who has, it is claimed, eloped with Miss Lina Colson, a handsome country belle, 19, living near Kearney. Wyant deserted a wife and family.

Twenty People Injured.

Twenty people were injured by a runaway horse and carriage at St. Joseph. The frightened animal dashed into the road at the park gate, after overturning the vehicle to which it had been attached, and throwing the occupants down an embankment bordering the driveway.

Barn and Contents Burned.

The barn of D. W. Thomson, 3 1/2 miles north of Sedalia, was destroyed by an incendiary fire. It contained 14,000 pounds of tobacco, grain, hay, carriages and farming implements. The loss is estimated at \$4,500, with only \$1,500 insurance on the building.

The Bridge Fell.

While a force of eight or nine men were at work moving an old bridge from over Salt fork, about eight miles west of Marshfield, the mill span fell, instantly killing the foreman, John Lawson, breaking his neck. He was 25, single and resided in St. Louis.

Barn and Contents Burned.

The barn of S. K. Kimpfel, east of Wellsville, was struck by lightning and burned, together with 40 tons of hay, 200 bushels of oats, 200 bushels of corn and all his farm implements. Loss, \$2,000; insured for \$900.

A Progressive County.

There were 103 teachers in attendance at the Wright county institute. State Superintendent Kirk says Wright county ranks with many north Missouri counties in her growing public school interests.

December and May.

John Straus, aged 55, has brought suit for divorce from Lulu Straus, aged 18. The old gentleman alleges that a divorce has become between him and his wife, and that she has squandered his money.

Instantly Killed By Lightning.

Mrs. Hosea B. Griffin, Sr., while picking beans in the garden at her home near Lemon station (Kenia post office), Putnam county, was struck by lightning and instantly killed.

They Smoked Him Out.

An incendiary fire destroyed several small frame business houses at Chula, ten miles northeast of Chillicothe. The motive is thought to have been to smoke out a "blind tiger."

Fatal Fall From a Bugy.

John Edward Monroe, aged six months, son of Otis M. Monroe, fell out of a baby carriage at De Soto, breaking his neck and causing instant death.

Drowned in a Fish Pond.

Claude, the 15-year-old son of J. E. Dismukes, of the Salisbury Democrat, was drowned in a fish pond in the southern suburbs of Salisbury.

Died of His Injuries.

L. J. Horn, a young man of Bonne Terre, employed as a railroad brakeman, fell under a train and received injuries from which he died.

A Young Mother and Her Baby.

Mrs. Wallace Bassford and her infant boy died at Mexico a few days ago. Mrs. Bassford was 17, and married little more than a year ago.

Cole's New Courthouse.

The laying of the corner stone of the new \$60,000 county courthouse at Jefferson City took place in the presence of a large crowd.

An Honored Citizen Gone.

Thomas A. Jennings, a pioneer settler and an honored and respected citizen, died recently at his farm five miles west of Richmond.

A Wife-Killer to Hang.

George Anderson, a wife-killer, was found guilty of murder in the first degree at Macon, and sentenced to hang August 21.

Drowned While Bathing.

Charles Saltman, 25 years old, a clerk, was drowned while bathing in the One Hundred and Two river, near St. Joseph.

## PEOPLE'S PARTY PLATFORM.

Declaration of Principles of the National People's Party Adopted at the St. Louis Convention.

Following is the declaration of principles and platform presented to and adopted by the Populist national convention at St. Louis:

The Platform.

The People's party, assembled in national convention, reaffirms its allegiance to the principles declared by the founders of the republic, and also to the fundamental principles of just government enunciated in the platform of the party in 1892. We recognize that through the conspiracy of the present and preceding administrations, the country has reached a crisis in its national life, as predicted in our declaration four years ago, and that prompt and patriotic action is the supreme duty of the hour. We realize that while we have present independence, our financial and industrial independence is yet to be attained by restoring to our country the constitutional control and exercise of the functions necessary to a people's government, which functions have been heavily surrendered by our public servants to corporate monopolies. The influence of European money—largely the result of the policy of cheap legislation than the voice of the American people. Executive power and patronage have been used to corrupt our legislative and executive officers, and to have the people, and plutocracy has thereby been enthroned upon the ruins of democracy. To restore the government intended by the fathers and for the welfare and prosperity of this and future generations, we demand the establishment of an economic and financial system which shall make us masters of our own affairs and independent of European control. By the adoption of the following platform:

Declaration of Principles.

1. We demand a national money, safe and sound, issued by the general government only, without the intervention of any state or local authority, and a full tender for all debts, public and private; a just, equitable and efficient means of currency, and the people and the government the lawful disbursements of the government.

2. We demand the free and unrestricted issue of silver, and the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the consent of the foreign nations.

3. We demand that the volume of circulating medium be speedily increased to an amount sufficient to meet the demands of the business and population and to restore the just level of prices of labor and production.

4. We denounce the sale of bonds and the increase of the public interest-bearing debt made by the present administration as unnecessary and without authority of law, and demand that no more bonds be issued except by specific act of congress.

5. We demand such legislation as will prevent the demonetization of the lawful money of the United States by private contract.

6. We demand that the government, in payment of its obligations, shall use its option as to the kind of lawful money in which they are to be paid, and we denounce the present and preceding administrations for surrendering this option to the holders of government obligations.

7. We demand a graduated income tax to be levied on the net income of individuals, and a just proportion of taxation, and we regard the recent decision of the supreme court relative to the income tax as a violation of the constitution and an invasion of the rights of powers of congress over the subject of taxation.

8. We demand that postal saving banks be established by the government for the safe deposit of the savings of the people and to facilitate exchange.

Second—Transportation.

1. Transportation being a means of exchange and a public necessity, the government should own and operate the railroads in the interest of the people and on a non-partisan basis; to be not only owned, but guarded and protected for the general welfare as provided by the laws organizing such railroads. The foreclosure of existing liens of the United States on these roads should at once follow default in payment thereof by the debtor companies.

2. We demand that the government shall purchase the same if it becomes necessary to protect its interests therein or if they can be purchased at a reasonable price, and the government shall operate said railroads as public highways for the benefit of the whole people and in the interest of the few, under the provisions for protection of life and property, giving to all transportation interests equal privileges and equal rates for fares and freights.

3. We denounce the present infamous scheme for refunding these debts, and demand that the laws now applicable thereto be executed and administered according to their letter and spirit.

4. The telegraph, like the railroads, being a necessity for the transmission of news, should be owned and operated by the government in the interest of the people.

Third—Land.

1. True policy demands that the national and state legislation shall be so wisely enable every prudent and industrious citizen to secure credit and tenure of the land should not be monopolized for speculative purposes. All lands now held by railroads and other corporations in excess of their actual needs should, by lawful means, be reclaimed by the government and held for actual settlers, as well as alien ownership, should be prohibited.

2. We condemn the frauds by which the land grant Pacific railroad companies have, through the connivance of the interior department, robbed multitudes of actual bona fide settlers of their homes and miners of their claims, and we condemn legislation by congress which will enforce the exception of mineral land, both grants as well as before patent.

3. We demand that bona fide settlers on all public lands be granted free homes, as provided in the national homestead law, and that no exception be made in the case of Indian reservations when opened for settlement, and that all lands now patented come under this demand.

Fourth—Direct Legislation.

We favor a system of direct legislation through the initiative and referendum under proper constitutional safeguards.

1. We demand the election of president, vice-president and United States senators by a direct vote of the people.

2. We tender to the patriotic people of Cuba our deepest sympathy in their heroic struggle for freedom and independence, and we believe the time has come when the United States, the great republic of the world, should recognize that Cuba is of right ought to be free and independent state.

3. We favor home rule in the territories and District of Columbia, and the early admission of the territories as states.

4. All public salaries should be made to correspond to the price of labor and its products. The time of great industrial depression labor should be employed on public works as far as practicable.

5. The arbitrary course of the courts in assuming to imprison citizens for indirect contempt and ruling them by injunction, should be prevented by proper legislation.

6. We favor just pensions for our disabled Union soldiers.

7. Believing that the elective franchise and an untrammeled ballot are essential to government, of and by the people, the people's party condemn the wholesale system of disfranchisement adopted in some of the states as unreplicable and undemocratic, and we demand to be the duty of the state legislatures to take such action as will give full and free ballot and an honest count.

8. While the foregoing propositions constitute the platform upon which our party stands, and for the vindication of which its organization will be maintained, we recognize that the great and pressing issue of the present campaign upon which the presidential election will turn, is the financial question, and we cordially invite the aid and co-operation of all organizations and citizens to secure its successful solution.

There was very little applause given for the various declarations of the platform. The one in favor of recognizing Cuban independence was most appreciated, and after it, it is points of popularity, came the one in favor of "initiative and referendum."

Pecca.

America has taught the world that the supremely good soldier loves peace and deprecates the horrors of war.—Rev. A. R. Rich, Methodist, Dubois, Pa.

## A KENTUCKY TRAGEDY.

What Began in a First Fight at the Wedding of a Neighbor's Daughter Culminated in a Murder on the Highway.

The orderer Wounded and at Large. WILLIAMSBURG, Ky., July 27.—Out on a country road in the Fork Lick hills, five miles south of this place was enacted a tragedy about eleven o'clock Saturday night that resulted in the death of one of the participants and the wounding and fleeing from justice of the other. Carl Hightower and Noah Readenower, were the sons of well-to-do farmers, and were each about twenty-two years of age. Some time ago they had a fist fight at the wedding of a neighbor's daughter. Readenower has since threatened to kill Hightower.

Saturday night they met